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IN RE APPLICATION OF : CONFIRMATION NO. **9835**
NAOTO OHTA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: BEST, Z.
SERIAL NO: 10/501,333 :
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FOR: ANODE MATERIAL FOR LITHIUM :
ION SECONDARY BATTERY

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.